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TOPIC Soviet Troops in Stahnsdorf

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1. On 9 January 1952, the Schlieffen Kaserne on Potsdamer Damm, Stahnsdorf (N 53°27'30"), was occupied to capacity by a unit of soldiers who wore black-bordered black epaulets. Numerous antennas of various types were seen on top of one of the buildings which seemed to be the headquarters building. Vehicles [redacted] 25X1 [redacted] in the billeting area.

2. On 9 January, the Siegfried Kaserne on Grueterfelder Damm was occupied to capacity by troops who wore black-bordered black epaulets. On the roof of one of the buildings, there were various antennas, including one mast mounting two rotatable screens. On the roofs of each of four settlement houses on Karolinenstrasse, just north of the barracks installation, was a rod antenna with brush-like dipoles and connected with the barracks installation by telephone lines. A four-mast radio station was situated about 250 meters northeast of the barracks installation. Five soldiers practiced with telephone masts and telephone wire on a drill field on the west side of Grueterfelder Damm, just opposite the barracks installation. Numerous masts with cage antennas, from which wires were strung to the barracks installation, were seen in the brushwood-covered area southeast of the Siegfried Kaserne. [redacted] [redacted] 25X1

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3. On 9 January, numerous officers and uniformed women wearing black-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia were seen entering and leaving the Ludendorff Kaserne on Grueterfelder Damm. Troops received theoretical and practical training in the barracks buildings. Many trucks, including radio trucks and van-like trucks, were sheltered in the numerous garages of wood and brick. Numerous antenna masts were on the roofs of the barracks buildings and in the yard between the buildings. [redacted] a four-mast radio

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4. On 9 December, the Schlieffen Kaserne on Potsdamer Damm quartered about 400 troops who wore black-bordered black epaulets, including some with signal insignia. About 40 unarmed troops, who seemed to be recruits and wore black-bordered black epaulets, were seen drilling. About 80 other troops were observed marching out of the installation. Truck [redacted] leaving the barracks installation.

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5. Numerous radio masts with cage antennas were noticed south of the Siegfried Kaserne on 10 December.

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6. A German employed with the Soviets stated that, about every 8 to 12 weeks, recruits arrived at Stahnsdorf for technical training and subsequently left in small shipments for an undetermined destination. *

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* Comment. The report confirms all three barracks installations as being occupied by signal units of the GOMG. Their headquarters is probably in the Ludendorff Kaserne.

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The antennas mentioned in the present report are of standard types.

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